



## Lessons Learned Information Sharing

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A series of tornadoes battered southwest Kansas in early May 2007. The most destructive tornado, an EF5 supercell, devastated Greensburg, Kansas, on the evening of Friday, May 4, 2007. The tornado destroyed 95% of the town and resulted in 10 fatalities. Federal, State, and local entities immediately initiated response operations in Greensburg. They continue to work together to rebuild the town and assist residents affected by the storm.

FEMA's National Exercise Division, FEMA Region VII—which is responsible for Kansas in addition to Iowa, Missouri, and Nebraska—and *LLIS.gov* have worked together since the Greensburg tornado to collect information—including lessons learned—garnered during response and recovery operations. As part of this effort, FEMA Region VII and *LLIS.gov* developed the [Greensburg, Kansas Tornado Lessons Learned Channel](#) which is dedicated to housing the information collected. The Channel currently includes relevant news publications, photos, briefings, and reports. The Channel also features an incident report of the tornado, and a comprehensive timeline that details the events that transpired during the response period (May 4 - June 4, 2007).

To mark the anniversary of the tornado, the Channel has been made available to the entire *LLIS.gov* community, in order to disseminate the knowledge and experience gained during response and recovery operations to a wider audience.

To access the Channel, log onto *LLIS.gov* and click on [Greensburg, Kansas Tornado Lessons Learned Channel](#) in the NEW LLIS CONTENT box.

The Channel will be updated regularly to ensure that it captures all of the information relevant to the Greensburg, KS tornado. Additionally, it will feature original content written by *LLIS.gov* staff in conjunction with information sources directly involved in response and recovery. *LLIS.gov* members are encouraged to contribute any information they feel is relevant to the Greensburg response and recovery effort by submitting documents through the UPLOAD DOCUMENTS box, located at the bottom of the Channel page.